

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL MAKE IT A SAFER JOURNEY LESSON PLAN

Grade Level: 6-8

Subject Areas: Writing, Practical Living/Vocational Studies

Core Content: WR-(06,07,08)-1.2.03, PL-(06,07,08)-1.4.01, PL-(06,07,08)-3.3.02

Overview: Students will learn to become safer pedestrians. They also will develop

writing skills and develop a portfolio piece.

Materials: Safer Journey Interactive CD or computer with Internet access

http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/ped/saferjourney.htm

Vocabulary: pedestrian, persuasive, audience

Activities:

1. Watch and discuss the Safer Journey program. The CD can be ordered through the FHWA or viewed on the Web site.

- 2. Have students return to the program individually and decide on which countermeasures they feel are needed in their communities.
- 3. Ask students to write a persuasive essay for the school or local newspaper on a related topic.

Assessment:

- 1. Grade essays for correctness, use of persuasion, writing for an audience, writing for a purpose, etc.
- 2. Have students give oral presentation about their topic/paper and check for understanding of safety issues.

